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September 27, 2002

## Via United Parcel Service

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 9300 East Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Re: Notification of Transfer of Subscriber Base in CC Docket No. 00-257

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Pursuant to Section 64.1120(e) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e), Comm South Companies, Inc. herein notifies the Commission of its planned acquisition of another telecommunications carrier's subscribers. As required by that rule section, the following information is provided:

- a. <u>Parties to the transaction:</u> Indiana Telephone Connect, Inc. (Transferor); Comm South Companies, Inc. (Transferee). Both Transferor and Transferee are registered carriers in the State of Indiana, where they are each classified as both local exchange and interexchange carriers.
- b. Types of telecommunications service provided to affected subscribers: local, intraLATA and interLATA toll services.
- c. <u>Date of expected transfer of subscribers:</u> On or about November 1, 2002.

Attached hereto is a certification of Comm South Companies, Inc. attesting to its compliance with Section 64.1120(e)(3) of the Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e)(3). A copy of the notices that Comm South Companies, Inc. is sending to the affected subscribers is provided as Exhibit A hereto.

Should any questions arise in connection with this matter, please communicate with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Pringle

Director - Regulatory Affairs

Comm South Companies, Inc.

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## CERTIFICATION OF COMM SOUTH COMPANIES, INC.

With reference to the attached application filed pursuant to Section 64.1120(e) of the Commission's Rules, Comm South Companies, Inc hereby certifies its compliance with the requirement to provide advance subscriber notice in accordance with Section 64.1120(e)(3) of the Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e)(3), with the obligations specified in that subscriber notice, and with other statutory and Commission requirements that apply to this streamlined process.

COMM SOUTH COMPANIES, INC.

State of <u>Texas</u> County of <u>Dallas</u>	) ) )		•	
SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in for said County and State,				
this <u>27<sup>th</sup> </u>	of September	, 2002.		

**Notary Public** 

SHERI B. PRINGLE

Notary Public, State of Texas

My Commission Expires

September 07, 2005

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RECEIVED & INSPECTED Comm South Companies, Inc. 6830 Walling Lane Dallas, Texas 75231

Dear Valued Customer:

September 30, 2002

On September 25, 2002, Indiana Telephone Connect, Inc. (ITC) and Comm South Companies, Inc. (Comm South) entered into an agreement whereby ITC will transfer to Comm South, all assets and customers currently served by ITC in the state of Indiana. As set forth below, Comm South will replace ITC as your local telecommunications service provider upon the closing of the acquisition expected to occur on or about November 1, 2002.

This change will not affect or in any way disrupt your current service. Comm South will be responsible for any carrier change charges associated with your transfer to Comm South so that no charges or fees will be imposed. In addition, the rates, terms and conditions for your service will remain the same for at least 90 days from the date of your conversion and perhaps longer. You are not required to do anything to continue to receive the superior service and quality you have come to expect. Comm South and ITC will work closely to make this transition a seamless process.

You do have the right to select a different carrier for the telecommunications services currently provided to you by ITC if such alternative carrier is available. However, if you are currently under a term contract with ITC for telecommunications services and select an alternative carrier for such services prior to expiration of the term contract, you may be subject to termination penalties. Even if you have arranged for a preferred carrier freeze on the services currently provided by ITC, your account will be transferred to Comm South unless you select a different carrier for such services before transfer of your account to Comm South. All existing preferred carrier freezes on services currently provided to you by ITC will be lifted. Whether your account is transferred to XO or you choose an alternative carrier for the services currently provided to you by ITC, you will need to contact your new local service provider to arrange for a new freeze. If you select a carrier other than Comm South for telecommunications services currently provided to you by ITC, please contact your local ITC office within 30 days of the date on this letter.

As we transition your services to Comm South's customer support over the next several weeks, Comm South is confident you will be pleased with its local customer service and competitive rates. We will keep you informed at each step in the transition process. In the meantime until the transfer of your service to Comm South is complete, please continue to contact the local ITC telephone numbers at (260) 456-6869 for repair service, billing questions, account information, order status, changes to your current service, or other customer service issues.

Comm South is certain that you will be delighted with our service as we are in having you as our customer, as we know you have a choice of telecommunications service providers. Comm South's toll free customer service number, should you need to contact us, is (888) 399-0880.

We appreciate your business.